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Serial No.: 09/175,664) Art Unit: 3671
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RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 28, 2000,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Election/Restriction:

Restriction to one of the following inventions is required
under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1-34, drawn to a cementing plug apparatus,
classified in Class 166, subclass 153.
- II. Claims 35-43, drawn to an insert for use in a cementing
plug, classified in Class 166, subclass 317.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention of Group
I, claims 1-34.